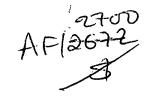


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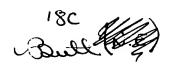
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	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.						
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X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.						
X	A check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension is enclosed.						
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X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.						
	Respectfully submitted,						
	Attorney for Applicants Registration No. 40,595						

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003, the term for responding to which having been extended to July 22, 2003 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: